

## BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Minutes of the Meeting of 31 January 2005 at 7:00 PM. The meeting took place in the Court Room, Town and County Building, Nantucket, MA 02554. Members of the Board present were Bruce Watts, Michael Glowacki, Robert F. Murphy, Douglas Bennett and Timothy Soverino. Chairman Soverino called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Approval of Minutes of 12 January 2005 at 7:00 PM; 11 January 2005 at 4:00 PM; 22 December 2004 at 7:00 PM. Mr. Watts moved approval; seconded by Mr. Bennett. So voted.

Approval of Payroll Warrants for Weeks Ending 16 January 2005; 9 January 2005. Mr. Glowacki moved approval; seconded by Mr. Murphy. So voted.

Approval of Treasury Warrants and Pending Contracts for 26 January 2005; 19 January 2005. Mr. Watts moved approval; seconded by Mr. Murphy. So voted.

Public Hearing to Consider New Application for Seasonal All Alcoholic Beverages Innholder License of Nantucket Island Management LLC d/b/a Harbor House Village, Dennis J. Barquinero, Manager, for Premises Situated at 19 North Water Street. Chairman Soverino opened the hearing and asked if any individual was present who wished to speak in favor of, or in opposition to the application. Melissa Philbrick, attorney for the applicant, spoke in favor and explained the proposed operation. As no individual was present to speak in opposition, Chairman Soverino closed the hearing. Mr. Watts moved to approve a new seasonal all alcoholic beverages innholder license for Nantucket Island Management LLC d/b/a Harbor House Village; seconded by Mr. Murphy. So voted.

Nantucket Wine Festival, Inc.: Request to Explore Feasibility of "Sister City Relationship" with Beaune, France. Denis Toner, president of the Nantucket Wine Festival, Inc. explained a proposal to link the city of Beaune, France and Nantucket as "sister cities." Mr. Toner stated that he has visited Beaune and feels both towns have played an important part in their respective country's histories, have a shared sense of the importance of preservation, and share many cultural values. Mr. Toner expressed his opinion as to the benefits of such a relationship and after some discussion, Mr. Murphy moved to explore forming a relationship with Beaune France as a "sister city;" seconded by Mr. Bennett. So voted.

Siasconset Civic Association: Request for Discussion Regarding Routing of Trucks from Sconset Wastewater Treatment Facility. Sam Daume, representing the Siasconset Civic Association, spoke about the request of many Low Beach and Morey Lane residents that the current routing of Public Works Department trucks carrying sludge from the new Siasconset Wastewater Treatment Facility (SWTF) to the Surfside Treatment Facility, be re-directed to an alternate route. Mr. Daume spoke about the impact he believes the present route has on pedestrian and vehicle safety in this area. Also speaking in opposition to the present route was Low Beach resident Georgia Raysman. Ms. Raysman presented a handout and noted that a petition was signed by many Siasconset residents asking the Board to consider an alternate route by opening a new road that connects the SWTF directly to Milestone Road. Also speaking in opposition to the presently established route was a resident of Morey Lane. Public Works Director Jeff Willett provided some clarification and stated that, after further review, it is estimated that only one or two trucks per week will be needed to transport the sludge and the runs could probably be scheduled for early morning. Speaking in opposition to any alteration of route was Siasconset resident Leedara Zola. After some discussion, it was the unanimous consent of the Board not to reroute the trucks from Low Beach Road and Morey Lane.

Town Administrator's Report: Review by Earth Tech of Surfside Wastewater Treatment Facility Upgrade Alternatives. Public Works Director Jeff Willett provided some background information about the Administrative Consent Order (ACO) the Town has signed with the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) and the fact that the Town is facing a July, 2005 deadline to submit a design contract for the Surfside

Wastewater Treatment Plant upgrade. Mr. Willett stated that the Board must provide direction by late February as to how the town wishes to proceed in order to meet the July deadline. Mr. Willett added that, if the Town does not comply with the requirements of the ACO, it faces court action, fines and possibly a moratorium on all new construction. Tom Parece, Earth Tech's senior program director, gave a presentation outlining three alternative plans for the facility upgrade, one plan being the same one that was presented to voters at the October 2004 Special Town Meeting which was defeated by the voters. Mr. Parece stated that the original upgrade proposes a \$35.53 million appropriation and increases the capacity of the plant to process 3.5 million gallons (MGD) of sewage per day. Mr. Parece added that this plan fully complies with the ACO and approved Comprehensive Wastewater Management Plan. Mr. Parece explained the second alternative, which would initially cost the least to the town provides only minimum improvements required to meet the current needs in the sewer area of town and would have a capacity of only 2.24 MGD. Mr. Parece stated that the third plan lies "somewhere in between" and replaces some obsolete equipment and increases the capacity to 2.4 MGD. Mr. Parece completed his presentation by outlining the funding methods for the sewer upgrade.

A lengthy discussion followed concerning the alternatives presented by Mr. Parece. Mr. Murphy asked about the effects of Inflow and Infiltration (I/I) on the daily flows and some discussion followed concerning this issue. The Board then discussed how best to proceed with the various alternatives presented. Some discussion also focused on the two member Selectmen's sewer work group that was to have acted as a liaison between the other board members, Earth Tech and DEP. Mr. Glowacki moved to "disband" the workgroup and make the sewer issue a full Board priority; seconded by Mr. Watts. So voted. Mr. Bennett was opposed. After some additional discussion, the Board unanimously agreed to continue this discussion at the meeting of February 9, 2005.

Town Administrator's Report: Review of Preliminary Draft 2005 Annual Town Meeting Warrant Articles. Town Administrator Libby Gibson reviewed the draft warrant with the Board and asked for direction on certain articles. After review, it was agreed that the Board would further discuss the draft warrant at the meeting of February 9, 2005.

Selectmen's Reports/Comments. Mr. Bennett stated he would like an investigation conducted about an alleged altercation between a selectman and a town employee. Mr. Bennett was asked to provide a letter to the Town Administrator with regard to the details.

Mr. Murphy moved to ask the Public Works Director to provide the Board with a modification schedule of sewer fees within the next two weeks; seconded by Mr. Glowacki. So voted.

At 10:00 PM, Chairman Soverino polled the Board and Mr. Murphy, Mr. Watts, Mr. Glowacki, Mr. Bennett and Chairman Soverino voted to adjourn to Executive Session, not to return to Open Session, for the purpose of approving minutes and discussing potential litigation.

Approved the 16<sup>th</sup> day of February 2005.